Medical Practitioners in the State.

157. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Homeopathic practitioners in the State;

(*b*) the number of such practitioners who have more than ten years' standing.

(*c*) the number of Ayurvedic practitioners in the State who have passed some examination; and

(*d*) the number of such practitioners who have no such qualification?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) No statistics have been so far collected by Government.

Reservation of Seats in the University.

158. *MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any representation was received in the University of Travancore praying for the reservation of a fixed number of seats to the educationally backward communities in the colleges affiliated to the University;

(*b*) whether in other Universities like the Madras University, there are provisions to reserve a definite percentage of seats to educationally backward communities; and

(*c*) whether in Colleges under such Universities there are non-official committees appointed to advise the Principals to ensure proper representation to the educationally backward communities?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) The information is not at present available.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER: May I know from the member whether there were cut motions about the subject referred to in part (*a*) in the last year and the year before in the Legislature?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Yes, Sir, I believe there were.

MR. K. KUNJU PANICKER: With reference to parts (*b*) & (*c*), may I know from the honourable member whether he was not a Senator of the Madras University for a long time?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Yes, Sir. But the Madras University does not regulate the admission to the Colleges in Madras. The member ought to be aware that the colleges there are under the administrative control of the Director of Public Instruction so far as Government Colleges are concerned.

Veterinary Dispensary near Thrikariyoor.

159. *MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the necessity of opening a veterinary dispensary near Thrikariyoor in Muvattupuzha taluk was brought to their notice by any representation or recommendation?

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